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1. The Czechoslovak - German border.
2. A river called "Schwarzwasser," which was six meters wide; flowed north and overflowed in spring.
3. A double-track rail line which had been a single track until 1951, when the other track was added because of heavy traffic. It led from Johanngeorgenstadt (N 50-26, E 12-44) north to Schwarzenberg (N 50-33, E 12-47).
4. An asphalt road, five to six meters wide, in fair condition with heavy truck traffic.
5. Deutsche und Sovjetische Personal-Verwaltung, or German and Soviet Personnel Administration, located directly opposite the Johanngeorgenstadt railroad station. It occupied the former hotel, Deutsches Haus, an old building, 16 x 10 x 11m, three-storied

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brick with a tile gable roof. To the rear of the hotel was another building, brick, 14 x 6 x 7 m, in which the mountain police (Berg-polizei) had its headquarters for the Johanngeorgenstadt uranium field project. The police wore dark-blue uniforms and were armed with pistols. The number of police was unknown. Another building, located near the hotel, was brick, 14 x 8 x 8 m, two-storied, tile gable roof, which contained various offices. The Deutsches Haus kept records of an unknown number of employees in the Johanngeorgenstadt field project and had one Soviet and one German personnel manager in charge.

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6. The former Wendler Factory, a four-storied, brick building, 60 x 20 x 22 m, with a tile gable roof. In 1949, Wismut A.G. took it over and housed its technical department, including surveying department, norm department supply depot, finance, etc., there. It employed about 300 Soviet and German personnel. A uranium laboratory was located in the basement where only Soviet personnel, men and women, were engaged in work. [redacted] to enter this laboratory and could not make any comment on the type of work performed.
7. Johanngeorgenstadt railroad station, a two-storied, old brick building, 24 x 16 x 8., with a restaurant and waiting rooms.
8. Erzbunker, or ore depot, had the same construction as in Bad Blankenburg (N 50-41, E 11-16). Various billets were built around the ore mill for male and female employees. Ore was delivered to this depot by railroad cars and trucks and was crushed into powder in an ore mill. This ore depot with ore mill was fenced in and heavily guarded by Soviet military guards.
9. Barracks for male and female employees, a total of 12. They were wooden, 24 x 5 x 5 m., with tar paper low-pitched gable roofs; women occupied about four barracks. These women had very bad reputations and, after 1949, were not allowed to work underground because of unhealthy conditions; they also made improper advances to the miners which slowed down the production.
10. Shaft No. 31, sunk in 1948, about 800 m. deep. Several tunnels were dug in various directions. Three work-shifts, both underground and above-the-ground. The ore was of good quality. Number of laborers unknown.
11. Shaft No. 31-BIS, sunk in 1949, about 300 m. deep, with tunnels dug in all directions. Three work-shifts, both underground and above-the-ground. Number of laborers unknown.
12. Shaft "Frischgluck", sunk in 1947, about 800 m. deep, three work-shifts underground and above-the-ground. Number of laborers unknown.
13. Shaft No. 22, sunk in 1947-1948, about 600 m. deep. Three underground and above-the-ground work-shifts.
14. Shaft No. 147, sunk in 1947-1948. Depth unknown; three work-shifts.
15. Shaft No. 154, sunk in 1947-1948, about 800 m. deep; three work shifts.
16. Shaft No. 163, sunk in 1948, depth unknown. No further information.

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17. Administration building for Field Project No. 10. for shafts in the vicinity of Point 23.
18. Administration building for Field Project No. 12. One brick building with unknown dimensions, located in Johanngeorgenstadt (street unknown). Contained offices of the Soviet and German personnel department.
19. Field project in Breitenbrunn (N 49-05, E 11-37). One brick building, two-storied, built in 1949, with unknown dimensions. Contained the personnel and technical department offices.
20. Supply depot in the open. Construction material, iron rods, and wire were stored here. The area was enclosed by mesh wire.
21. A shaft belonging to Project No. 8 in Breitenbrunn with an unknown number of shafts sunk in 1948, about 700 m. deep; three underground and above-the-ground work-shifts. Number of employees unknown.
22. A shaft belonging to Project No. 8 in Breitenbrunn, sunk in 1948, about 700 m. deep; excavations in all directions. Number of employees unknown.
23. The shaft region with about 15 shafts; [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted] Shafts were scattered from Johanngeorgenstadt northwest to Steinbach (N 50-01, E 09-36). 25X1
24. The shaft region belonging to Field Project No. 8. Shafts were scattered from Breitenbrunn northeast to Rittersgrun (N 50-28, E 12-47).
25. Uranium shafts in Czechoslovakia. [redacted] 25X1  
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26. Railroad spurs which connected various shafts.
27. Material depot which contained construction material for barrack construction.

Additional Information

2. [redacted] definition of a field project (Objekt) was an immediate administration office for several shafts. Each shaft had its own immediate administration office located at the shaft with one Soviet and one German shaft manager and a bookkeeper. In the vicinity of most of the shafts were ore depots, ore mills, and ore washers which source never entered. [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted] The valley between Johanngeorgenstadt and Breitenbrunn was called "the Wittigstaal" and was fenced in on both sides by a two-meter-high wooden fence, guarded by Soviet military guards. The entire border area between Czechoslovakian and East German uranium areas was separated by a 3.50 meter-high mesh-wire fence, topped with barbed wire. Soviet military guards on the German side and Czech border guards on the Czechoslovak side patrolled the border 24 hours a day. Uranium ore from Czechoslovakia was not delivered to the East Zone of Germany. No further information. 25X1  
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